

# **CITY OF WHEAT RIDGE CULTURAL COMMISSION**

**Wednesday, March 11, 2015  
6:00 p.m.**

**WHEAT RIDGE RECREATION CENTER  
4005 Kipling Street, Conference Room**

## **AGENDA**

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1. Call to Order
2. Introductions – Members and Guests
3. Approval of Minutes from February 11, 2015
4. Unfinished Business
  - 38<sup>th</sup> Avenue Events Committee (Gehauf)
  - Wheat Ridge Reads (Porter DeNileon)
  - Meet the Artist for Musicians and Performers (Illo)
  - Wheat Ridge Artist Studio Tour (Hagevik)
  - Marketing Calendar Update (Shannon)
5. New Business
6. Updates
  - Public Art Fund
  - Hopper Hollow Grand Opening and Sculpture Dedication – May 2, 2015
7. Future Agenda Items
8. Commissioner Comments
9. Adjournment

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**MINUTES**

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**Item 1 – Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Robb at 6:02 p.m.

**Item 2 – Introductions – Members and Guests**

Members present: Diane Robb, Jill Shannon, Gay Porter DeNileon, Michael Illo,  
Sandra Hagevik, Ron Gehauf, Milly Nadler, David Balczo

Staff present: Julie Brisson, Recreation and Facilities Manager

Guests present: Mayor Joyce Jay; Janice Smothers, Administrative Assistant

**Item 3 – Approval of Minutes**

Commissioner DeNileon made a motion to accept the minutes of January 14, 2015. Motion seconded by Commissioner Shannon. The motion carries and the minutes are approved.

**Item 4 - New Business**

Guest Speaker: Joyce Jay-Cultural Loop

Mayor Joyce Jay described her experience with the Cultural Commission. Stated her definition of culture is the refinement and personality of a community and is shown through art forms, music, and monthly shows. Mayor Jay referred to the Cultural Commission as creative community builders. Mayor Jay stated she would like to create a Cultural Loop and that is a concentration of an area of art on 38<sup>th</sup> Avenue as a walkable downtown area; and an area within a region that has various forms of art. Mayor Jay would like the Cultural Commission to be participants in creating a Cultural Loop in Wheat Ridge. A hand-out describing the process was distributed. Discussion included interactive art; creating an art destination; costs; and creating a committee.

Commissioner Robb made a motion for the Cultural Commission to support Mayor Jay's Cultural Loop idea. Motion seconded by Commissioner Shannon. The motion carries.

Commissioner Robb will be the leader with Janice Smothers as the contact to set up an initial meeting. All Commissioners will be welcome in addition to selected community members.

**Item 5 –Unfinished Business**

**38<sup>th</sup> Avenue Events Committee (Robb/Gehauf)**

Commissioner Gehauf stated the calendar of events for WR2020 is out. RidegFest is scheduled for September 12, 2015. Commissioner Shannon will be in charge of the art component of the RidgeFest.

**Wheat Ridge Reads (Porter DeNileon)**

Commissioner DeNileon asked for the Commissioners top two choices and narrowed those down to Hells Bottom by Laura Pritchett. The event title will be Brews and Books and potential venues might be Riccoli's, The Office, or Clancy's; potential dates will be verified with author.

**Meet the Artist for Musicians and Performers (Ilo)**

Commissioner Ilo stated that a Robin Hood skit with approximately a dozen players will be performing on February 19<sup>th</sup> at Celebration Party Rentals and they will supply popcorn and soda.

**Wheat Ridge Artist Studio Tour (Hagevik)**

Commissioner Hagevik provided a draft calendar, a call for artist's letter and an artist application. Commissioner Shannon will create and send a "save the date" email. Artists are to return completed applications to the Cultural Commission email address by May 4, 2015.

**Marketing Calendar (Shannon)**

Commissioner Shannon stated she is working on the calendar.

**Item 6 – Updates**

**Public Art Fund (Brisson)**

No new information at this time.

**Ward Road Station Update (Robb)**

Commissioner Robb displayed the final art pieces for the Ward Road Station. Three artists have submitted proposals and the RTD Arts Commission decided on the sculpture by Mike Clapper.

**Item 7 – Future Agenda Items**

No new future agenda items

**Item 8 – Commissioner Comments**

Commissioner Gehauf wished all Happy Valentine's Day.

Commissioner Nadler stated she is looking forward to Robin Hood.

Commissioner Balczo enjoyed another fun and exciting meeting.

Commissioner Robb stated there has been conversation about decommissioning and removing the art and adding a playground in Founder's Park.

**Item 9 – Adjournment**

With no further business, Commissioner Robb adjourned the meeting 8:04 pm.